THANKSGIVING dinner parties and the general enjoyment of the bounties of life incident to the harvest period made up the larger part of the social events of the week just closed, with a very few exceptions. The principal of these exceptions was the annual charity ball given at Ranke hall last Tuesday evening for the benefit of the Orphans' home, which netted the ladies of that institution something like $150. A number of teas and receptions were also given during the week, most of them in honor of Mrs. T. T. Minor, who is a great favorite in society circles. Weddings also were decidedly in order in all classes, Thanksgiving period being accepted as a time of good omen for the union of souls. The coming week will see a number of social functions of a quiet character, including a continuation of theater box and supper parties, of which there were quite a number last week attending the Frawley engagement. Efforts are making in society circles to arrange for a number of assembly balls, and circulars soliciting membership for these are out, and the number of replies to these will largely decide the question whether Seattle society is sufficiently united to insure success for these balls.

One of the most charming and unostentatious social functions of the week just closed was the tea given by Mrs. Burke in honor of Mrs. T. T. Minor, her old time friend and amie de voyage, last Friday afternoon. The occasion brought out over fifty of Seattle's society ladies to greet the honored guest and, on the part of many, to renew an acquaintance not dimmed by the lapse of time. Mrs. Minor's many good qualities and pleasing personality have endeared her to all who have ever met her, and her popularity in this city, incident to kind remembrances of past friendship, has been best evidenced in the numerous social functions give in her honor and which have been almost of daily occurrence since her return to Seattle.

Mrs. Burke's rooms were decorated for the occasion with exquisite taste, palms, chrysanthemums, carnations and ferns filling all points of vantage in each, adding charm to their surrounding suggestions of Oriental ease, comfort and luxury, and the whole emphasized, by many colored subdued lights shining through odd lanterns and bizarre lamps, each a treasure from some foreign clime. The Japanese room was in torquoise and cream, the Oriental was in turquoise and cream, the room leading to the tea room in pink and the tea room in red, with carnations for the decorations of the latter.

The ladies assisting Mrs. Burke and Mrs. Minor receiving were: Mrs. Montgomery Russell, Mrs. J. C. Haines, Mrs. R. H. McKee and Mrs. E. B. Webster.

The ladies presiding in the tea room were Mrs. H. B. Bagley, Mrs. G. G. Lyon, assisted by Miss Judith Minor and Miss Brooks.

The general social event of the week just closed was the annual charity ball given in Ranke hall last Tuesday evening. It proved a social and financial success notwithstanding the stormy condition of the evening and the Orphans' home for whose benefit the affair was given has been made the richer by about $150. It is not much considering the amount of money spent in preparing for the ball, toilets, decorations, hall, music, etc., and it is questionable whether greater good would not have been accomplished by devoting this money at first hand to the home direct; but then, of course, bushels of concentrated fun and pleasure would have been lost, and so, perhaps, in order to keep the wheels of social functions going it is as well to have the balls even if the orphans do fail a little shy on results.

Ranke hall last Tuesday presented a beautiful sight to the several hundred guests in attendance and if ears of persons could tingle when good is spoken of them as they are said to do when evil is uttered, then those delicate members of the ladies making up the decorating committee must have fairly glowed in the words of admiration that flowed from every lip. Garlands of ivy and evergreen with great branches of holly were festooned around the supporting pillars of the gallery and gracefully hung along the overhanging edges of the gallery, producing a very picturesque effect. Red and white bunting, draped about the chandeliers, made a striking contrast to the deep green of nature's bountiful adornings, while the lights, subdued in pink shades, gave a sense of cozy tropical languor to the beautiful scene. The orchestra was ensconced in a bower of green in the gallery from which the dreamy strains of the same floated all over the hall in a manner to make it uncertain where the sounds came from.

The central point of attraction was the stage, which had been transformed to represent the secluded nook of some tropical garden, through which small tables had been scattered and on which refreshments were served during the evening. Palms, ferns and other potted plants banked in this choice spot and proved a restful place for the tired dancers all through the evening. Patriotic sentiment had not been overlooked, and "Old Glory" graced every window with its grand tri-colored folds.

An equally charming reception room had been measured off in the left-hand corner of the hall near the stage, and neatly draped and furnished for the comfort of the ladies. A lemonade booth in another portion of the hall proved a favorite resort and kept its fair occupant busy all the evening.

The ladies of the decorating committee, to whose taste and labor is due the beautiful appearance of the hall, were: Mrs. G. G. Lyon, Mrs. S. L. Crawford, Mrs. George B. Kittinger, Mrs. F. W. Wing, Mrs. Chapin and Miss Olive Baxter.

A series of four "swell" assembly balls, to be given this winter, have been projected in society circles and responses enough to letters for membership have been received to insure their being what the promoters intend them to be, namely, brilliant social functions. The officers and managers for the present are: President, H. C. Henry; treasurer, F. K. Struve; secretary, C. M. Austin; executive committee, Mrs. E. A. Strout, Mrs. F. K. Struve, Mrs. J. C. Haines, Mrs. H. C. Henry, Mrs. J. D. Lowman, Mrs. Charles Powers, Mr. Josiah Collins, Mr. Charles Powers, Mr. H. C. Henry, Mr. F. K. Struve and Mr. C. M. Austin. These balls will be given in Ranke hall, and the first one is expected to come off about December 20 and one each following month, the last one to be given after Easter, owing to the early setting in of Lent. The patronesses after the first ball will be chosen from among the members, and the executive committee will look after the first ball.

The committee is desirous that prompt replies shall be sent by those to whom membership circulars were sent, as the date of the first ball will largely depend on the number of these answers.

Miss Edith Rowe, a charming society young lady of Tacoma, was the guest of Mrs. George W. Dickinson Tuesday and Wednesday. She attended the charity ball.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence S. Booth entertained the Crawford family for Thanksgiving at her residence on Drexel avenue. Mr. John W. Pratt was also a guest of the occasion.

Theater parties at the Seattle theater were numerous during the Frawley engagement, and among the many noticed were: Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Backus, Mr. and Miss E. O. Graves, Mr. Sydney Hansard, and Miss Evelyn Graves, Mrs. E. L. Terry and Mrs. James Murray, Col. and Mrs. G. G. Lyon and Mrs. Webster, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Farrell; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Preston, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McDonald and Mrs. Henry; Capt. and Mrs. W. W. Robinson; Mr. Sidney Hansard and Miss McNaught.

Miss McNaught gave a matinee box party yesterday afternoon to Miss Ethel Semple, Mr. Sidney Hansard, Mr. Linn Relf, and Mr. Harry Castle, chaperoned by Mr. McNaught.

Mrs. Sillitoe gave a tea at her residence on Minor avenue last Tuesday afternoon. It was a pretty affair, and Mrs. Terry and Mrs. Charles Power poured the tea.

A box party at the Seattle theater last Thursday evening was made up of Miss Hanford, Miss Elaine Hanford, Mr. Manly B. Haines and Judge Hanford.

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Mr. C. J. Smith gave a box party Friday evening at the Seattle theater to Mrs. T. T. Minor, Miss Judith Minor and Dr. and Mrs. Montgomery Russell.

Mrs. Clancy, Miss Clancy and Mr. Clyde Clancy spent Thanksgiving with Senator Allen, and all occupied a box at the Seattle theater in the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lowman gave a box party at the Seattle theater Friday evening to Mr. and Mrs. R. H. McKee and Mrs. J. C. Haines.

Mrs. Chas. H. Hamilton left last Friday for a six months' visit in the East. During her absence her residence will be occupied by Mrs. Shaw.

Mr. and Mrs. James Nugent will give a reception to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Shepard Fulton, December 8, at their residence, 1118 Cherry street.

The ladies of the French Club have changed their session day from Monday to Saturday. They met yesterday at Mrs. De Steiguer's.

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Baker gave a box party Friday evening for Miss Graves, Miss Richards, Prof. Mayers and Mr. P. Richards.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Kyer have moved into their new home, 501 Harvard avenue, Mr. Kyer recently purchasing the property.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Frauenthal entertained at Thanksgiving dinner Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fuhrman and Miss Cassie Fuhrman.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Strout enjoyed their Thanksgiving dinner with Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Henry at the Rosebud Club.

Miss Carrie Morgan gave a Thanksgiving dinner at her home, corner Marion and Minor, to a few friends.

Mrs. J. C. Haines gave a Thanksgiving dinner to Mrs. T. T. Minor and her daughter, Miss Judith Minor.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar B. Piper and Mrs. Erastus Brainerd were at the seattle theater Friday evening.

Mrs. Chas. Whittlesey gave a tea yesterday afternoon to Mrs. T. T. Minor and Mrs. McKee.

Mr. Sidney Hansard and Mr. Linn Relf returned last Tuesday from their visit to Olympia.

Mrs. E. C. Griswold was a guest of Miss Leighton, of Olympia, during the carnival week.

Dr. and Mrs. Alfred Raymond entertained a few friends for Thanksgiving dinner.

Mr. O. C. McGilvray, who has been quite ill for a month, is now up and convalescing.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Rotch visited Mrs. and Miss Riggs in Tacoma last week.

Miss McNaught and Miss Semple returned last Tuesday from Olympia.

Mrs. William Whittlesey took part in a concert in Tacoma last week.

Mr. E. Howard, of New Whatcom, was in the city during the week.

Mr. J. W. Godwin has gone to New Orleans for a six weeks' stay.

Mrs. C. J. Smith is visiting Mrs. B. F. Bush, at Roslyn.

Miss Helen Holmes gave a card party Friday evening.

Miss Canfield spent Thanksgiving day in Whatcom.

Mrs. H. G. Bagley is a guest of Mrs. Burke.

Mr. Harry Sheaf has gone to Spokane.

WEDDINGS.

Mr. Harry N. Rinker and Miss Louise Baker, both of this city, were united in marriage at the pleasant home of the bride on Minor avenue, Thursday evening, November 24, 1898. The bridal party stood amidst white chrysanthemums and roses, whilst the officiating clergyman, Rev. Mr. Hutchison, pronounced the impressive ceremony. Mr. Robert Milligan served as groomsman and Miss Ada M. Buck as bridesmaid. The bride and groom were the recipients of many handsome presents. Mr. and Mrs. Rinker left on the 4 o'clock train for Spokane.

Saturday, November 19, 1898, at the residence of the groom's mother in Blakeley, Wash., Mr. Chas. Fischer and Miss Christian Christiansen, of Seattle, were united in marriage by the Rev. J. Busched, of Eagle Harbor, Mr. Albert Christiansen and Miss Laura Jansen acting as best man and bridesmaid. The house was tastefully decorated with ferns and evergreens and about one hundred invited guests sat down to a table loaded with good things, after which dancing was indulged in to a late hour. The young couple received many handsome presents and will be at home to their friends at their residence in Blakeley.

Miss Florella Kelso Cochran, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse F. Cochran, was married Wednesday evening at her home, No. 710 Prospect avenue, to Mr. George Earnest Henry Joerndt. The wedding was a private affair, only the relatives of the contracting parties being present. Rev. Major, of the Second Presbyterian church, of Queen Anne, performed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Joerndt will spend their honeymoon in Portland, after which they will be at home to their frieds, No. 313 Queen Anne avenue, December 14.

On Thanksgiving evening Harry N. Rinker, of Spokane, and Miss Lulu Baker, daughter of C. J. Baker, the contractor of this city, were married at the home of the bride's father, corner Minor avenue and Stewart street. Rev. A. L. Hutchinson, of the First Presbyterian church, officiating. The young couple are well known in society circles of the city. They left for Spokane on Friday afternoon where they will make their future home.

Mr. Charles William Clark and Mrs. Ella Louisa Bollinger, of Humboldt county, California, were quietly married at the parlors of the New Western hotel, Seattle, November 19, 1898, Mr. V. W. La Reile serving as best man and Mrs. Lallie E. Terry as bridesmaid, Rev. John F. Damon officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Clark will domicile on the east side of Lake Washington.

Mr. Archie A. Cole and Miss Ethel B. King, both of Latona, were married at the residence of the officiating clergyman, John F. Damon, Seattle, Wednesday evening November 23, 1898, Mr. and Mrs. Edward G. King serving as groomsman and bridesmaid. Mr. George King chaperoned the party to the abiding place in Latona, where they will be at home to their friends.

Mr. Fred. W. Kloeber, formerly of Seattle, and Miss Gertrude S. Gibbons, were married at Waldorf, Maryland, Wednesday, November 16, 1898. Mr. and Mrs. Kloeber will reside in Washington, D. C. Mr. Fred. Kloeber is a relative of Dr. Kloeber, of this city, and has numerous friends here who will be pleased to hear of his happiness.

Mr. John Hardy, of Seattle, and Mrs. Laura Doan, of Kansas City, Kan., were quietly married at the residence of the officiating clergyman, John F. Damon, Thanksgiving evening, November 24, 1898, Mr. William Fitzpatrick doing the honors as groomsman, and Miss Jennie Vincent as bridesmaid.

Mr. David James Butterfield and Mrs. Catherine Jones Steinell, both of Tacoma, were quietly married at the residence of the officiating clergyman, John F. Damon, Seattle, Wednesday afternoon, November 23, 1898, in time to return by 4 o'clock train to their new abiding place.

Mr. Frank M. Norton, son of mine inspector Frank M. Norton, and Miss Beatrice S. Dent, were married last Sunday at St. Mark's church by Rev. J. P. Derwent Llwyd. Only a few friends were present. Mr. and Mrs. Norton will go to housekeeping in this city.

Mr. O. Maudy Mailnason and Miss Amelia M. Outzen, both of this city, were quietly married at the residence of the officiating clergyman John F. Damon, Seattle, Wednesday evening November 23, 1898, a few friends attended as witnesses.

Mr. Bert. C. Whitcomb and Miss Sarah Ellen Fry, both of Tacoma, were quietly married at the residence of the officiating clergyman, John F. Damon, Seattle, Wednesday afternoon November 23, 1898, and returned home the same evening.

Mr. Louis Haneberg and Miss Annie Green, and Mr. Swen E. Larson and Miss Jennie Thompson, formed a double wedding at the residence of the officiating clergyman, Rev. Martin L. Larson in this city, Saturday, November 19, 1898.

Mr. Robert Main, of O'Brien, and Miss Clara Ada Lloyd, daughter of Mr. Allen Lloyd, of Kent, were married at the residence of the bride's parents Tuesday, November 22, 1898, by the Rev. Thomas MacGuire.

Mr. Joseph S. Garretty and Miss Ellen M. Gerow, both of Seattle, were married in this city in the Church of the Immaculate on Thanksgiving day, by Father A. Sweere, S. J.

Mr. Frank J. Judy and Miss Elsie F. Dean, both of Anacortes, were married at the Diller Hotel, Saturday, November 19, by Rev. W. W. Mallory.

Mr. Edmund P. Walker, of Seattle, and Miss I. J. Davidson, of Montesano, were married in this city Friday, November 18, 1898.

CLUB CIRCLES.

A meeting of the Woman's Century Club was held at their rooms November 25. A vocal solo was beautifully rendered by Miss Helen Holmes. Miss Winsor, of the Advance Club, read a semi-humorous paper on "The Moon." A song by Mrs. Baldwin followed. The important feature of the meeting was the consideration of a paper by Dr. DeVoe, "Some Municipal Problems." This paper was read before the state association at Spokane. The paper was warmly received and indorsed by the club and will probably be read at the next meeting of "The City Federation" of Women's Clubs on the first Friday in December.

The Stag Club is making preparations for its next dance to be held at the Queen Anne club house, next Friday evening. The following are the committees for the evening: Arrangement committee—Edgar A. Green, chairman; aids, J. R. Compton, William Castle. Floor committee—Harry Lelan, jr., manager; aids, A. D. Crawford, T. L. McRae, C. D. Wineholdt. Reception committee—J. M. Cramer, chairman; aids, J. J. Sloan, Don Cowie. The music will be rendered by the First Regiment orchestra.

The Colonial Whist Club was entertained by Miss Emma Dizard last Wednesday evening at her home, 721 Twenty-fourth avenue south, the first prizes being won by Mrs. I. H. Dearborn and Mr. Ed. Widmer, the consolation prizes by Miss Connelly and Mr. W. C. Stetson. The club will meet next week at Miss Ella Shull's, 1013 Seventeenth avenue.

The Seattle Federation of Women's Clubs will hold their regular monthly meeting Friday, December 2, 1898, at 2:30 p. m., Room 58, Boston Block.

The Advance Club will hold its next meeting Tuesday, November 29, with Mrs. Zilliah Douglas, 722 Bellevue avenue north.

The Nineteenth Century Club will meet Thursday, December 1, with Miss Jessie Reeves, 1208 Third avenue, instead of as usual at Miss Bush's studio.

The Caledonian Club of Seattle, will hold a banquet in the Rainier-Grand Hotel, on the anniversary of St. Andrew's day, Nov. 30, commencing at 8 p. m.

PARTIES AND OTHER AFFAIRS.

A surprise party was given Mr. and Mrs. D. N. Holden at their home on Pike street Friday evening, that being the tenth anniversary of their wedding. An elaborate luncheon was brought by the guests, which added to the enjoyment of the evening. At whist and donkey Mr. D. W. West won first prize, Miss Lawrence second and Mrs. Mountjoy the booby prize. The ladies present were all members of Seattle Hive, No. 8, L. O. T. M., of which Mrs. Holden is an efficient officer. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. D. N. Holden, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Corbett, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Boylan, Mr. and Mrs. M. Dunn, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. West, Messrs. L. S. Boylan and Wilson, Mesdames Dodds, Hollman, Shultz, Crook, Fairbanks, Garoken, McKiernan, Towle, Westerman, Ober, Dolan, Lawrence, Mountjoy, Robinson, Warnsholdt, Birdsell, Harper and Elwell.

There was a pleasant family reunion on Thanksgiving day at the new home of John James, 715 Warren avenue, Queen Anne hill. Three of his sons, E. F. James, G. P. James and J. A. James were present, with their wives. The only other son, Harry, is in Alaska. There was a hearty dinner, graced by a seventeen-pound turkey, and a good time among the guests, who made up a charming family circle.

Little Wells Ruelle invited twenty of his little friends and their mamma's to his home, corner Sixth and Spring, Monday afternoon, November 22, to celebrate with him his fourth birthday. The house was soon resounding to happy shouts as packages containing mementos of the day were opened, containing toys of all kinds. The decorations were beautiful. Pink, green and white were the colors, pink streamers running from the chandelier to the four corners of the table. The birthday cake, iced in pink, encircled by a large wreath of smilax, formed the center-piece for the table. Leading from under the smilax were pink ribbons to each plate. The napkins were pink and white. Dishes of pink ice cream was served with cake. As each little tot took their place at the table, they were told to draw the ribbon toward them. Much to their surprise a pretty toy was attached at the end hidden under the smilax. The dining room was made beautiful with ferns and cedar. The birthday cake contained a beautiful gold band ring and a dime. Master George Smalley found the dime, he thereby being doomed to live an old bachelor. Little Roy White finding the ring, consequently will have to marry the new woman.

One of the most enjoyable menus of Thanksgiving day was served that evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McDonald, 1015 Fourth avenue, where over a score of guests were entertained. The repast consisted of every variety of early winter regalement that Seattle markets afford, and was enlivened by a dozen canvasbacks brought down by the younger McDonalds' guns. The dining hall was charmingly decorated with English ivy, hung into bowers where some of the guests were seated, and enormous bouquets of carnations. Mrs. McDonald was an entertaining hostess and the evening was spent at cards.

The following were the guests: Miss L. H. Chamberlin, T. H. Howay, Miss L. Warren, Mrs. Warner, W. G. Wood, Prof. and Mrs. O. R. Dahl, Albert Caviness, Mrs. P. Crosby, T. C. Thomas, Miss Chloe Hansen, Miss Nellie Hansen, Samuel Fraser, Misses Mamie Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Kenly, Miss Dorothy Kenly, C. P. Babcock, Mrs. Alice Jordison, Mr. Stevens and Homer C., Raymond E. and De Loss K. McDonald.

Miss Maud Hooper celebrated her fifteenth birthday Saturday, November 19, at her residence, 1412 Second avenue. She was the recipient of many presents and a pleasant evening was enjoyed by all her guests, among whom were: Mr. and Mrs. Morreau, Mrs. Jamison, Mr. and Mrs. McBean, Mrs. A. Thompson, Miss Ella Corkren, Miss Jennie Corkren, Miss Sadie Ward, Miss Mary Jamison, Miss Cora Slogil, Miss Gracie Morreau, Master Harry Jamison, Mr. Lou Lawrence, Master Frank Hooper.

COMING EVENTS.

Mrs. A. B. Stewart will give an afternoon tea at her residence tomorrow, at 3 o'clock in honor of Mrs. T. T. Minor.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Cohn announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Hannah, to Mr. E. M. Newman, of Columbus, Ohio.

Mrs. John S. Klober will give an afternoon "at home" between 3 and 5 o'clock at the Rainier-Grand, in honor of Mrs. Geo. W. Dickinson.

Mrs. Chas. E. Patterson will give a reception between 3 and 5 o'clock at her residence, 1015 Columbia street, next Thursday afternoon.

The Wednesday Card Club held no session during the week just closed, but will meet next Wednesday with Mrs. McKee, at the residence of Mrs. Haller.

The St. Mark's Woman's Guild holds its Christmas sale of fancy articles, etc., Thursday and Friday afternoons and Thursday evening at the guild rooms.

Rehearsals for the "Geisha" are now being held in the Holyoke block. Seventy-five well-known amateurs are taking part in this production of the "Geisha" and if appearances count for anything the performances bid fair to be successes.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL NOTES.

Mrs. Hessie Hastings is in Port Townsend visiting relatives.

Miss Zoe Kincaid has returned home from her visit to Olympia.

Mrs. John Schram returned Friday from an extended visit to the East.

Miss M. E. Sinsabaugh, of Chautauqua, is visiting relatives in Tacoma.

E. J. Strelan has gone to Dubuque, Ia., where he will spend a few weeks.

Mrs. R. L. Hodgdon has returned after a two months' visit in Minneapolis.

Mrs. V. J. Knapp, of Anacortes, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. M. Reilly.

Mr. Frank V. Bell spent Thanksgiving day with his mother in Port Townsend.

Mr. and Mrs. James L. Schultz have returned from an extended trip in the East.

Miss Flora B. Davis, of Vashon, spent Thanksgiving with her parents in this city.

Mrs. E. S. Dodge and Mrs. M. S. Lawry, of Anacortes, are visiting friends in the city.

Mrs. A. L. Lindsey, of Tacoma, is visiting Mrs. Arthur H. Harrison at 920 Seventh avenue.

Mrs. E. P. Ferry has returned from a visit with Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Phillips, in Olympia.

Mrs. A. J. Agnew, of Everett, is the guest of Mrs. H. N. Richmond, 1302 Sixteenth avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Swaggert, of New Whatcom, are guests of Mrs. Swaggert's mother at Ballard.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Riddell, of Tacoma, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Richmond on Thursday.

Mrs. V. J. Knapp and Mrs. Marcia Denman returned yesterday to Anacortes after visiting relatives in Seattle.

Mrs. J. E. Franks and her daughters, Della and Meta, are the guests of Mrs. J. V. Van Horn, of Hartford.

Miss Parsons left last Friday for her home in San Francisco, after a few weeks' visit with friends in Seattle.

Mrs. W. A. Harrington and her daughter Pattie, who were guests of Mrs. J. C. Horr, of Olympia, have returned home.

William A. Gilmore, secretary of the Republican state central committee, is sick with fever at Providence hospital.

Mrs. Carrie Grunkranz returned Monday from a week's visit with her daughter, Mrs. Herbert Conner, at La Conner, Wash.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert S. Conner, of La Conner, Wash., spent Thanksgiving week with the latter's mother, Mrs. Carrie Grunkranz.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Hamilton left Friday for Chicago, where they will spend the winter. They will return to Seattle about April 1.

Mrs. George Armstrong, formerly of Olympia, now residing in Rossland, B. C., is visiting Mrs. E. T. Smart, 441 Olympic place.

Mrs. Baker, of Fremont, entertained the following Ballard ladies to dinner last Friday; Mrs. W. H. Peter, Mrs. J. C. Young, Mrs. H. T. Bostian, Mrs. Sherman Swaggert, of New Whatcom, Mrs. Murray, of Fremont.

Mrs. Charles Maynard, of Victoria, who is spending the winter with her mother, Mrs. S. Carkeek, at Green Lake, received last week the news of the death of her husband, which occurred at Dawson, October 5. Mr. Maynard died after a long illness of typhoid fever. He leaves besides his widow, two little girls, aged 4 and 2 years.

Chas. Cotton, jr., is in the city from Juneau, Alaska, where he has been for the past year. After a visit to his friends and relatives in San Francisco, he will probably return to Juneau. He brings very favorable news of two well known Seattle boys, Howard Ames and Nathaniel Carl, who have very good positions in Juneau.

BELLEVUE SOCIETY.

Miss Isabel Scanlon, of Seattle, is visiting with Miss Bessie Seelye.

Mr. Gene Gould, of Friday Harbor, visited friends in Bellevue Saturday.

A literary club was organized in Bellevue last Saturday evening for the purpose of debating the questions of the day. Officers elected are: President, C. M. Martin; vice president, Mrs. H. T. Ivey; secretary, A. S. Burrows. They propose to meet every Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Frantz have been entertaining their daughter, Mrs. John H. Lay, this week.

Henry Bechtel was home from Woodinville Sunday.

Mrs. C. F. Arnold and children, of San Francisco, are visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Wright.

A testimonial concert will be given next Wednesday evening at Sherman-Clay hall by Elsa Deremeaux, planiste, and Max Elster, violinist, assisted by Miss Margaret McKinney, Oscar Maline and W. Vaughan Arthur.

NANCY LEE ON CURRENT GOSSIP.

HALF the feminine world fusses about pockets and the other half about plackets. The fashionable dressmakers, male or female, will not put a pocket in a skirt at all. They say it alters the set of the garment. The unfashionable dressmakers do put pockets in, but they are usually so beautifully hidden that it would puzzle a Philadelphia lawyer to find the receptacle. To see a lady try to get into her pocket to find 5 cents for a car conductor puts to flight all ideas of grace or beauty that might attach themselves to the attire of our times. She cannot get to her pocket sitting down; that's sure. Up she must stand, planting her feet wide apart to steady herself in the jerky motor or cable car, and there fumble and grumble until the pocket is reached and the nickel handed the waiting conductor.

If fashion decree (as she has for so many years) that our skirts be so scant that we may not have a pocket, save in the rear, why can't the dressmaker sew a flat pocket on the outside of our gowns, a pocket in which we could place a purse and a handkerchief within hailing distance of our hands? Men's pockets are put where they can be used; why must women's be out of sight? Is there any disgrace in pockets? As long as women have noses, and I'm sure I hope no inventor will project the noseless girl upon the public as long as I shall flourish on this earth, we must have pocket handkerchiefs, ergo we must have pockets. I should like to start a dress movement right now in favor of the visible pocket and on my banner inscribe: "This banner shall wave, on her so brave, who dares her pocket to show. We mothers of men, with voice and pen, for comfort strike this blow." To be sure, we came into the world without a pocket, but that's no reason why we should live without one.

And plackets, or vents, or whatever name you may please to call that opening through which we put our heads, that necessary evil of a woman's gown. At last the tragedy, always more or less imminent concerning the placket hole, is disposed of and every woman who cannot remember to hook this opening in her skirt should have her petticoats cut on the new tailor mode; that is to say, with the placket hole buttoned securely up. According to the highest authorities in skirt topography, the opening in the garment should be made in front and a little to the right side, just where the seam of the front width runs up. This leaves the back of the skirt to be shaped fashionably plain or pleated in a little, and innocent of any rear opening at all. This change of base for the placket has come about by reason of the new mode or glove-fitting the tops of all skirts, and the placket's location in front is neatly concealed by a short row of small ornamental buttons or a careful adjustment of braid lines. Probably never before in the history of dressmaking have skirts been so scant as this year. They simply have no fullness at all save a slight spreading effect in the rear and below the knees.

Candor compels the admission that Frenchy and striking as this mode may be, it does not enlarge the reputation of the feminine sex for beauty of form. Just about one woman in 300 can wear this new skirt and rejoice the eyes of the onlooker; the other 299 will be a sore trial to their friends, for she who is the least bit too broad in the beam and she who has been given by Providence Japanese hips cannot profit by this novel and severe cut. In wearing this sheath-like skirt the true inwardness of "the human form divine" is bound to come out. And now, while we are talking about women's wear, what do you think about the new style of fastening my lady's gown? When I first saw a fashion plate of these gowns fastening all the way up the back with big buttons, I did not know whether the ladies were advancing or retreating. With the abundance of hair 'round the face, the flatness in front produced by the fit of the new very low cut French corset, and the array of buttons, I could not tell which was the back and which was the front of the lady. Finally I dug out two eyes and a nose in a face from its ambush of hair, and then I knew that Dame Fashion had decreed that we should go back to the days of our youth and go 'round the house begging to be fastened up in the back. I asked my dressmaker yesterday what we Seattle people would do who only kept one servant, and that a Chinaman, about this buttoning in the back. "Oh! call him up, and if he doesn't understand English very well, turn your back to him. He will know enough to button you up."

It really is too hard on a great many women that the edict has been issued that hips must and shall be suppressed. Some stout women who can afford the $25 corset that is warranted not to break under strain or pressure, may be able to suppress an inch or two of breadth, but what will the great majority of stout women do, who can't afford the $25 corset? Alas! and alas! that some modern Shylock cannot arise to cut away the pound of flesh without spilling the blood.

A year or so ago they accented our shoulders. We broadened and bloomed across the back, until it seemed probable that architecture would have to be altered to widen doors and windows, that the full-sleeved woman might go in, or look out undisturbed. The broad effect was done, and overdone. Now the dressmakers have begun to pinch our arms in sleeves so tight that our hands are as red and bloated as those of a bricklayer. We might stand these tightened sleeves, but I do wonder what we will develop in new diseases if we really are willing and able to suppress the hips? We should remember where our stomach, that avenue to our self-preservation, lies, where most terrible results might follow this suppression of the hips. Let us for the sake of the here and the hereafter hope that this edict is only an autumn fad, and that as winter comes on with the necessity for heavy outside garments, women will be sensible enough to loosen their stays, and not consent to hang their underskirts from straps in the useless effort to "suppress the hips." For ages artists have called the Milo Venus the most beautiful and lovable type of woman. Shade of the great prototype of motherhood and physical, forcible, beauty, assist the wavering and warn the weak!

I see that my whole column is about very womanly matters, and now I must say this to the boys: Boys, when you feel bibulous, think of Chaplain McIntyre's late experiences with the cup and "don't." Why will men drink and then talk? If drink they must, why not follow an old physician's advice for breaking up a cold. He used to say: "When you feel a cold coming on, hang an old hat on the foot of your bed, buy a bottle of the best whisky, put it with a glass by your bedside; undress, say your prayers, get into bed and cover up snug and warm. Begin to drink the whisky. When the hat hanging on the foot of the bed develops into two hats, close your eyes and go to sleep. The next morning you will feel seedy, but the cold will have gone." I do not approve of immoderation in anything, especially in "that which men put in their mouths to steal away their senses." I do think if for any reason a man has got to drink, then he should be retired until the effect of the drug has disappeared. Chaplain McIntyre has ruined his life and has disgraced himself forever. He has been expelled from that most tolerant of bodies, the navy, because he became intoxicated and made a speech reflecting upon the officers of his ship and upon his country. Wearing the uniform of the United States, he dared to criticise and scandalize the country that was giving him his living; and very properly he has been court-martialed and expelled.

As the temperance lecturer preached to his Irish audience, "What is it makes ye shoot at yer landlords? The drink. And what is it makes ye miss 'em? Um, the drink." So, boys, when you feel it coming on, just "don't."

I saw this in one of our Seattle daily newspapers: Lost—Half pug dog; answers to name of Brookside," etc. Now, if the advertiser will kindly tell me which half of her pug dog has been lost I will gladly look for it, because I would love to find a "half pug dog" to add to my collection of curiosities, should the advertiser not desire the aft or stern of the pug when found.

NANCY LEE.

ORPHANS' HOME THANKSGIVING.

Ladies Return Thanks for Generous Contributions to the Little Ones.

The Ladies' Relief Society of the Orphans' home extend thanks to the Seattle people for their generous attendance at the charity ball. The ball was a success in every sense of the word, and the society will realize about $350 net.

The ladies of the society also wish to thank the merchants, the Post-Intelligencer and all the good people of Seattle for their bountiful Thanksgiving dinner to the children, and for the many donations to the home.

A lady called at the home the day after Thanksgiving and was pleased to hear the little children say: "Yesterday was Thanksgiving, and we had turkey, cranberries, apples, nuts and raisins and everything good, and today we have duck."

"We like to live here," said another; "everybody is so kind to us, if we haven't a mamma; and we even have a little white bed all our own."

The visitor found the tears flowing as she left the little ones in their play room, and the thought came to her: "Oh, the good we all may do while the years are rolling on."

The following contributed to the Orphans' home:

Mrs. W. M. Dennis, Mrs. E. B. Burwell, Mrs. Charles Hopkins, Mrs. Schuyler, Mrs. Backus, Miss M. Denny, Mrs. L. H. Gray, Mrs. John Frazier, Yorke Barrington, Smith & Kennedy, D. C. Cannon, Dr. Bragdon, Dr. Kloeber, Miss Jackson, Miss Depew, Mrs. E. C. Hawkins, Mr. A. A. Denny, Mr. Van de Vanter, Lehman Bros., S. Tupser, from the Little Helpers of the Taylor Street church, patchwork quilt; Mrs. Fuhrman, City Mills, Schwabacher & Co., Mrs. W. W. Kirkwood, Mrs. H. Morgan, room 4, Denny school; Miss Shumway, Charlie Cline, Eddie Moss, Fred Brinside, — Singerman, Mrs. S. Aronson, Mrs. E. W. Price, Seattle Cereal Company, Mrs. Dr. Minor, Dr. Russell, Mrs. C. Whittlesey, Mrs. Blaine, H. Wittenberg, Portland.

University Notes.

Miss Cora Bauman did not attend college last week.

Prof. A. B. Coffey was the guest on Thursday of old-time friends in Snohomish.

A large number of non-resident students went home to pass the Thanksgiving vacation.

Prof. C. F. Reeves entertained a number of friends on Thanksgiving at his home in Columbia.

Miss May Goodman left on Tuesday afternoon to spend the holidays with her parents at Gig harbor.

Mrs. Frank Blodgett is visiting her daughter, Miss Charlotte Blodgett. Mrs. Blodgett has recently moved to Fairhaven, leaving her daughter in Latona to attend the university.

Miss Zoe Kincaid was at the chrysanthemum carnival in Olympia on Friday and Saturday where she had a very enjoyable time. Miss Kincaid's father, who is a physician, lives in Olympia.

Miss Annie Mitchell, who is attending the university from Olympia, spent Thanksgiving with her sister, Mrs. Albert Olson, in Seattle. Her father, Dr. David Mitchell, is visiting her here before he leaves on an Eastern trip.

College interests center next week about the inauguration of President Graves, which takes place next Wednesday afternoon. Extensive preparations are under way for the decoration of Denny hall, where the ceremony takes place. A large number of friends of the institution from other parts of the state are expected at the university on that day.

Notice of Postponement.

The entertainment for the benefit of the widow of Hermann Johnson, which was to be held in the Seattle theater November 29, will be postponed until further notice.

By order of the COMMITTEE.

FINE MUSIC.

The fine music given each service at the First Presbyterian church is increasing the attendance at this church materially. Mrs. Edwards will sing in both services today.

The basket picnic given by the Junior Christian Endeavor Society of the Presbyterian church, Friday, was everything that the name implies. All the juniors and their friends were there, to enjoy the games and the well-filled lunch baskets.

THE modern railway train has every convenience. We sleep and dine, recline on the richest upholstery in the best equipment that can be built so as to ride easily. We are drawn by engines that never break down, over solid roadbeds and through scenery varied as a continent presents. Such is the Northern Pacific.

CLOSING OUT MACKINTOSHES.

Large line ladies' mackintoshes at below factory prices. Washington Rubber Co., 714 First avenue.

"GUARD your sight." Consultation free. Miss Wilzinski, graduate optic specialist. Satisfaction guaranteed. 112 Cherry.

TYPEWRITERS rented and repaired. E. C. Niles, 1006 Second avenue. Tel., Pike 144.

There is more catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any